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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. EC DISCUSSIONS OF WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE

USEC REPORTS THAT THE INITIAL DISCUSSION OF THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE BY THE EC PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES ON JANUARY 30 REVEALED A CLEAR DIVISION, WITH EIGHT STATES FAVORING A SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION IN WASHINGTON BUT FRANCE INSISTING THE MEETING BE LIMITED TO PROCEDURES AND QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN UP IN PREPARATION FOR A BROADER CONFERENCE. THE FRENCH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TOLD HIS COLLEAGUES THAT FOREIGN MINISTER JOBERT IS NOT LIKELY TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) EC BRUSSELS 618, 1/30.

2. JAPAN SIGNALS CAUTION

A JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL, IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY TOKYO'S PRESENTATION OF US VIEWS ON THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE, INDICATED A CAUTIOUS JAPANESE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE CONFERENCE. HE WAS SPECIFICALLY CONCERNED OVER THE SECRET

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ESTABLISHMENT OF TASK FORCES, THE EARLY START OF COMMUNIQUE DRAFTING, AND THE MECHANISM FOR BRINGING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE OIL PRODUCING NATIONS INTO ENERGY DISCUS-

SIONS. THE EMBASSY COMMENTS THAT JAPANESE ATTITUDES HAVE APPARENTLY BEEN INFLUENCED BY THE YAMANI-ABDESSALEM VISIT. (CONFIDENTIAL) TOKYO 1338, 1/30.

3. UK: NO MORE OIL BARTER DEALS

ACCORDING TO A HIGH LEVEL TRADE AND INDUSTRY OFFICIAL, HMG HAS NO FURTHER INTEREST IN PURSUING BARTER TYPE OIL DEALS. THE GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED THAT BARTER ARRANGEMENTS WILL DISTORT INTERNATIONAL TRADING PATTERNS AND WILL HAVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON THE PRICE AND SUPPLY OF OIL. THE IRANIAN DEAL WAS A SPECIAL CASE WHERE HMG HAD TO ACT IMMEDIATELY TO ENSURE ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES OF OIL IN ORDER TO AVERT A DOMESTIC ECONOMIC CRISIS. FURTHERMORE, ACCORDING TO THIS OFFICIAL, NO OTHER OIL PRODUCING STATES, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF ALGERIA, HAVE REACHED THE STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT WHERE THE TYPES OF INDUSTRIAL GOODS SUPPLIED IRAN WOULD BE IN GREAT DEMAND. MOST OIL PRODUCERS ARE MORE INTERESTED IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-RELATED INVESTMENT ARRANGEMENTS. (CONFIDENTIAL) LONDON 1376, 1/30.

4. SYRIA, THE USSR, AND MIDDLE EAST PEACE INITIATIVES

A. SYRIANS MORE POSITIVE TOWARD US ROLE...

UN UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL GUYER TOLD THE US MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE DELEGATION IN GENEVA THAT ALTHOUGH HIS JANUARY 29 MEETING WITH THE SYRIANS PRODUCED NO CONCRETE RESULTS, HE WAS STRUCK BY A NEW POSITIVE SYRIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD THE US ROLE AS INTERMEDIARY IN SECURING DISENGAGEMENT. THE SYRIANS REITERATED THAT THEY WOULD COME TO GENEVA AS SOON AS THE CONFERENCE SHOWS IT WILL "WORK SERIOUSLY." THE SAME DAY SOVIET AMBASSADOR VINOGRADOV TOLD GUYER THAT A CONFERENCE DECISION IN PRINCIPLE TO INVITE THE PALESTINIANS MIGHT HAVE SOME IMPACT ON THE SYRIANS. (SECRET) GENEVA 607, 1/30 (EXDIS).

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B. ...WHILE BEING NUDGED BY SOVIET UNION

EMBASSY MOSCOW REPORTS THAT ON JANUARY 30 AN AUTHORITATIVE PRAVDA COMMENTARY SUGGESTED THAT SYRIAN FAILURE TO MOVE ON DISENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE GENEVA CONFERENCE IS WEAKENING ARAB UNITY AND PLAYING INTO THE HANDS OF THE ISRAELIS. THIS SUGGESTION IS IN LINE WITH OTHER INDICATIONS THAT THE SOVIETS ARE COUNSELING THE SYRIANS TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN PEACE EFFORTS. THE EMBASSY COMMENTS THAT THE ARTICLE'S EMPHASIS ON SOVIET CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE

MIDDLE EAST AND OMISSION OF ANY MENTION OF THE US ROLE DEMONSTRATES CONTINUING SOVIET SENSITIVITY OVER THE US

SUCCESS IN CAIRO. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) MOSCOW 1469,
1/30.

5. SPECULATION ON CONTACTS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JORDAN

A PLETHORA OF PRESS STORIES CONCERNING SECRET ISRAELI-JORDANIAN CONTACTS HAVE APPEARED RECENTLY IN ISRAEL. EMBASSY TEL AVIV COMMENTS THAT THE PRESS SPECULATION TOUCHES AN EXTREMELY SENSITIVE POLITICAL ISSUE IN ISRAEL AND COULD MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR MRS. MEIR TO FORM A NEW COALITION GOVERNMENT. THE HEAD OF THE JORDANIAN DELEGATION TO THE GENEVA CONFERENCE TOLD EMBASSY AMMAN THAT THE STORIES ARE INCORRECT, BUT HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE ISRAELIS MAY BE PREPARING PUBLIC OPINION ON THIS ISSUE. (CONFIDENTIAL)
TEL AVIV 560, 1/30 AND (SECRET) AMMAN 482, 1/30.

6. PHILIPPINES VIEWS ON SPRATLEYS

THE FILIPINOS HAVE AGAIN RAISED THE SPRATLEY ISLANDS ISSUE, AND ALTHOUGH THE MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY WAS NOT DISCUSSED, THERE WERE IMPLICATIONS THAT THE US SHOULD HAVE SOME MILITARY CONCERN OVER CHINESE ADVANCES INTO SOUTH CHINA SEA SHIPPING LANES. FOREIGN SECRETARY ROMULO STATED HIS GOVERNMENT IS DISAPPOINTED BY THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL'S NEGATIVE RESPONSE TO THE GVN REQUEST FOR ACTION ON THE PARACELS. HIS GOVERNMENT IS ALSO UNHAPPY OVER THE US POSITION ON THE GVN APPROACH TO SEATO BUT HE SAID THE PHILIPPINES WOULD PROBABLY ABSTAIN RATHER THAN OPPOSE IF
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